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United States Department of Justice
New York, New York

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April 8, 1946

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Director, FBI

Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al
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Dear Sir:

The services of Confidential Informant [redacted] are presently being utilized in connection with ALEXANDER KORAL at his residence, 290 Empire Boulevard, Brooklyn, New York. (X) u b2 b7D

This informant provides information from time to time concerning the intended movements of KORAL and his wife. Inasmuch as it is desirable at all times to have advance information concerning KORAL for the assistance of the spot check surveillance on him and for the purpose of other confidential work presently contemplated, it is recommended that the services of this informant be continued. (X) u

During the past month information was received from this informant reflecting the presence of several relatives of KORAL's in New York who were previously not known. It was also learned from this informant that KORAL spent the weekend of March 30, 1946 near Peekskill, New York. (X) u

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Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY, SAC

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In addition to the above information it is of interest to note that apparently former Assistant Secretary of War John J. McCloy, who is now with the Department of State, and Colonel Alfred McCormick, formerly with the Military Intelligence Service and now with the Department of State, were apparently both connected at one time with the same law firm with which Petersen was connected prior to his employment by the War Department.

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WATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ET AL 3092
(Assistant Secretary of War Howard C. Petersen)
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Reference is made to my letter to you in the above case dated March 27, 1946, referring to, among other individuals, Assistant Secretary of War Howard C. Petersen.

For your further information in connection with Petersen, there is set out below a summary of the information contained in the Bureau's files concerning him.

Howard C. Peterson was born in 1910, received his B. A. Degree from DePauw University, Greencastle, Indiana, in 1933, and received his J. D. Degree from the University of Michigan later, as reflected in the 1945 edition of the Martindale and Hubbell Lawyers Directory.

Howard C. Petersen was formerly connected with the law firm of Greveth, DeGoradorff, Swaine and Wood, 15 Broad Street, New York City, and resigned from that firm in January, 1941. He is presently residing at 402 North St. Asaph, Alexandria, Virginia. (62-22665-453)

The name of Edward C. Petersen, according to information received from a highly confidential source in October, 1944, was furnished as a possible contact in the War Department to Roy Haddock, National Legislative Representative for the National Maritime Union, CIO, attached to the CIO Maritime Commission in Washington, D. C. Haddock has been reported to have close Communist affiliations but no information is available reflecting the purpose of designating Petersen as a contact man in connection with the above information. (100-238796-15 Tech Surveillance, CIO Maritime Commission, Washington, D. C.)

On March 19, 1946, the Daily Worker, West Coast organ of the Communist Party, USA, stated that a delegation of Communist veterans of World War II called on Howard C. Petersen, Assistant Secretary of War, to protest the ruling of the War Department barring Communists from sensitive positions and commissions in the Army. The March 20, 1946, issue of the Daily Worker stated that Howard C. Petersen told the delegation of Communist veterans that he would not repudiate a War Department spokesman's statement that membership in the Communist Party would bar a man from a commission or from a sensitive position in the Army. This article in the Daily Worker stated further that Mr. Petersen refused to take any stand against specific cases cited by the delegates where men allegedly have been discriminated against because of membership in the Communist Party or activity in the labor movement. According to the article Petersen did not agree to a formulation of policy which stated as follows: "The War Department shall not bar men from Officer Candidate School or sensitive positions in the Army because of their political affiliations. If they are disaffected or subversive they shall be removed." On the following day, March 21, 1946, the Daily

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: April 8, 1946

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO

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Re: Dr. Abraham Wolfson

On April 5, 1946 [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, advised that she received an announcement which disclosed the following information:

Mr. and Mrs. MOSES TAYLOR announce the marriage of their daughter SARAH FRANCES TAYLOR to Doctor ABRAHAM WOLFSON on Sunday March 31, 1946. The WOLFSONS will be at home after April 15, 1946 at 55 Spruce Street, Newark, New Jersey.

The above is being furnished for your information.

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CC: Washington Field

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R, REFER FIVE IS ACCORDING TO A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE

A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED THAT LESTER LEVIN IS PRESENTLY IN WASHINGTON, D. C., AND IS TO CONTACT ALLAN ROSENBERG. THE SAME SOURCE REVEALED THAT ONE EDWIN, BELIEVED TO BE EDWIN SMITH, WHO IS ALLEGEDLY GOING TO POLAND FOR SOME EXPORT IMPORT CONCERN AT A SALARY OF TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS, IS PRESENTLY IN WASHINGTON, D. C., AND HAS CONTACTED ALLAN ROSENBERG. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE REVEALS THAT JOSEPH GREGG WAS CONTACTED BY A MRS. VIOLA SHAW, WIFE OF RALPH SHAW. GREGG INDICATED TO MRS. SHAW THAT HIS WIFE, ROSE, DESIRES TO REMAIN IN LONDON, CANADA, UNTIL MRS. SHAW ARRIVES.

THE SAME SOURCE INDICATED THAT [REDACTED] ADVISED JOSEPH GREGG THAT [REDACTED] HAD A PLANE RESERVATION AT THREE FIFTY AM, APRIL TEN, ON THE PCA TO DETROIT. GREGG AGREED TO MEET HER AT TEN PM, APRIL NINE, NEAR THE COMMERCE DEPARTMENT, AND DRIVE HER TO THE AIRPORT TO PICK UP HER

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[ONE CARL, BELIEVED TO BE CARL B. ~~X~~SPAETH, OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT, AND GREGG INQUIRED ABOUT QUOTE THE LAND BUSINESS UNQUOTE. IT APPEARS THAT GREGG AND CARL OWN AN INTEREST IN SOME LAND ON A WATERFRONT AND THAT THEY ARE NOT TOO ANXIOUS TO SELL THE PROPERTY WITHOUT A SUBSTANTIAL PROFIT IN IT. [REDACTED] GREGG COMPLAINED OF STAYING IN WASHINGTON AND CARL ASKED QUOTE ARE THEY AFTER YOU UNQUOTE. GREGG RESPONDED QUOTE WELL, I DON'T KNOW UNQUOTE. CARL ASKED GREGG WHY HE WAS WORRIED THEN, AND GREGG REMARKED THAT HE WAS NOT ACTUALLY WORRIED BUT THAT QUOTE THIS THING OF HANGING AROUND FOR SIX OR NINE MONTHS AND BEING INDEFINITE WAS A PROBLEM UNQUOTE. CARL INDICATED THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT MIGHT CUT FROM ITS PRESENT NINE THOUSAND PEOPLE TO ABOUT SEVEN THOUSAND PEOPLE AND THAT IF ONE WAS NOT LET LOOSE WITHIN THE NEXT YEAR HE COULD FEEL SET FOR LIFE. GREGG REMARKED THAT IT WAS MORE QUOTE DEPRESSION PROOF UNQUOTE THAN ANYTHING HE KNEW OF.]
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GREGORY. ESPIONAGE R. REFER FIVE IS. RE WFO TEL APRIL EIGHTH CONCERNING AL PRAGO, WHO CONTACTED JOSEPH GREGG APRIL SEVENTH. NO CASE FILE THIS OFFICE ON AL PRAGO, BUT REFERENCES INDICATE HE RESIDES AT FIVE TWO NAUGHT WEST END AVENUE, NYC, AND IS EMPLOYED BY ASSOCIATED MERCHANDISING CORPORATION, FOURTEEN FORTY BROADWAY, NYC. PROMINENTLY MENTIONED IN NY FILES AS AN INSTRUCTOR AT THE JEFFERSON SCHOOL FOR SOCIAL SCIENCE. KNOWN TO BE A VETERAN OF THE ABRAHAM LINCOLN BRIGADE.

[REDACTED]

PRAGO AUTHOR OF PAMPHLET, "WE FOUGHT HITLER," WHICH WAS PUBLISHED BY THE ABRAHAM LINCOLN BRIGADE. WFO AND BUREAU REQUESTED TO FURNISH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING PRAGO, ESPECIALLY ANY INFORMATION WHICH WOULD INDICATE HIS INVOLVEMENT IN ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES. IN VIEW OF MOST RECENT INFORMATION CONCERNING GREGG, IT IS BELIEVED PRAGO SHOULD BE FULLY IDENTIFIED. WFO ALSO REQUESTED TO ADVISE WHETHER THERE APPEARED TO BE ANYTHING SIGNIFICANT IN CONNECTION WITH MEETING OF PRAGO, UNKNOWN WOMAN, AND GREGG. RENEYTEL YESTERDAY STATING RAY ELSON SERIOUSLY CONSIDERING RESIGNING HER EMPLOYMENT AT NFCL. PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE YESTERDAY REVEALED ELSON LEFT NFCL AT USUAL

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SOURCE ADVISED THAT ROSE GREGG, WIFE OF JOSEPH GREGG, WILL FLY TO WASHINGTON FROM LONDON, CANADA, VIA BUFFALO ON TUESDAY OR WEDNESDAY NEXT. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED ONE AL PRAGO CONTACTED JOSEPH GREGG AND ADVISED HE WAS IN WASHINGTON TO SEE HIS GIRL FRIEND. GREGG EXPRESSED SURPRISE AT HEARING FROM HIM AND MADE A DATE TO SEE EACH OTHER ON APRIL SEVEN, AT WHICH TIME A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED THAT PRAGO WOULD VISIT GREGG AT GREGGS HOME AT NINE PM ON APRIL SEVEN, ACCOMPANIED BY AN UNKNOWN WOMAN DESCRIBED AS RESIDING ON BUCHANAN STREET AND HAVING BEEN A RESIDENT OF WASHINGTON FOR FOURTEEN YEARS. THE NEW YORK FIELD DIVISION IS ADVISED OF THEIR FILE ENTITLED AL PRAGO, WAS, IS R. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED THAT MAURICE HALPERIN HAS SUBMITTED HIS RESIGNATION TO BECOME EFFECTIVE MAY THIRTYONE, FORTYSIX. THIS SOURCE FURTHER ADVISED THAT HALPERIN CONTACTED JOSEPH GREGG ON APRIL SIX AND REQUESTED GREGG VISIT HIM. IT WAS ASCERTAINED THAT SUBSEQUENTLY, ON APRIL SIX, HALPERIN CONTACTED JOSEPH GREGG AT THE GREGG RESIDENCE. ACCORDING TO A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, MAURICE HALPERIN IS GOING TO NEW YORK ON TUESDAY, APRIL

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cc: Mr. Harvey

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[NINE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONTACTING THE EDITOR OF ONE OF THE NEW YORK NEWSPAPERS RELATIVE TO THE PUBLISHING OF AN UNKNOWN ARTICLE, ~~REDACTED~~ ALLEGEDLY WRITTEN BY HALPERIN. ACCORDING TO A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, IRVING ~~X~~KAPLAN AND HIS WIFE, DOROTHY, SPENT THE EVENING AT THE GEORGE ~~SILVERMAN~~ HOME ON APRIL SIX. THIS SOURCE FURTHER REVEALED THAT IRVING KAPLAN AND HIS WIFE WILL GO TO NEW YORK ON TUESDAY, APRIL NINE, POSSIBLY BY AUTOMOBILE AND CAN BE REACHED AT QUOTE GIBBY- S UNQUOTE. ACCORDING TO A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, ROBERT ~~REDACTED~~ MILLER WAS CONTACTED BY WIELDER SPAULDING, PHONETIC, WHO ADVISED MILLER THAT HE WAS PLANNING TO GET QUOTE YOU PARENTHESIS MILLER PARENTHESIS CLOSED BACK AGAIN TO HEAD THE DIVISION OF PLANNING AND PUBLICATIONS UNQUOTE. MILLER REPLIED THAT IT WAS HIS BIRTHDAY AND QUOTE THAT IS A WONDERFUL BIRTHDAY PRESENT UNQUOTE. ACCORDING TO A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, ON APRIL SEVEN, ROBERT ~~X~~MILLER CONTACTED ^EWILLIAM LUDWIG ULLMANN AND SPENT SOME ~~REDACTED~~ TIME WITH HIM, ON APRIL FIVE, ~~REDACTED~~ FORTYSIX, A PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE WAS CONDUCTED AT THE RESIDENCE OF ROBERT TALBOTT ~~X~~MILLER, THIRD, AND THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WERE OBSERVED TO APPEAR AND ENTER THE MILLER RESIDENCE BETWEEN SEVEN THIRTY PM AND EIGHT THIRTY PM. MR. AND MRS. NATHAN GREGORY ~~X~~SILVERMASTER, JOSEPH GREGG, MAURICE AND EDITH ~~X~~HALPERIN, MR. AND MRS. JOHN ~~X~~BIERKES, CHARLES ~~X~~ELATO, MYRA C. ~~X~~CALLIS, TWO THREE NAUGHT SIX E STREET, NORTHEAST, POLYA J. ~~X~~HABICHT, THREE TWO TWO CHESTNUT STREET, NORTHWEST, AND FLORENCE ~~X~~LEVY, TWO FOUR ~~X~~

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[NAUGHT NAUGHT THIRTEENTH STREET, NORTHWEST.] ACCORDING TO AN ARTICLE APPEARING IN THE WASHINGTON EVENING STAR ON APRIL SEVEN, FORTYSIX, HENRY MORGENTHAU, JR., FORMER SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY, WILL MAKE HIS DEBUT AS A RADIO COMMENTATOR AND ANALYST WEDNESDAY IN THE FIRST OF A SERIES OF FIFTEEN MINUTE WEEKLY BROADCASTS STARTING AT TEN FIFTEEN PM. HE WILL BROADCAST FROM NEW YORK OVER STATION WMCA AND WILL BE HEARD IN WASHINGTON OVER STATION WWDC. MR. MORGENTHAU WAS QUOTED BY A STUDIO PRESS RELEASE AS SAYING THAT HE FELT OBLIGED TO KEEP INFORMED THE NINE MILLION AMERICANS WHO PURCHASED WAR BONDS CARRYING HIS SIGNATURE WITH ITS IMPLIED PROMISE OF A BETTER WAY OF LIFE. HE PROMISED THAT HE WOULD NOT JUST GIVE HIS OPINION ABOUT QUOTE THE IMPORTANT ISSUES OF THE DAY UNQUOTE, BUT WANTED QUOTE TO GIVE MANY LISTENERS THE FACTS ON WHICH THOSE OPINIONS ARE BASED UNQUOTE.

[ACCORDING TO A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, ON APRIL SIX, FORTYSIX, HENRY MORGENTHAU, JR., CONTACTED HARRY WHITE ASKING IF DICK GILBERT HAD TALKED TO HIM THE LAST DAY OR SO. WHITE ADVISED HE HADN'T SEEN HIM PARENTHESIS GILBERT PARENTHESIS CLOSED. MORGENTHAU ADVISED THAT GILBERT WAS GOING TO HELP HIM WITH HIS BROADCASTING WEDNESDAY, BUT HE FOUND IT MORE WORK THAN HE EXPECTED AND HE SUGGESTED GETTING A FULL TIME MAN FOR THE JOB. MORGENTHAU REQUESTED AID FOR SUCH A FULL TIME

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HELPER FROM WHITE. HE ADVISED THAT THIS ASSISTANT DID NOT NECESSARILY HAVE TO BE ABLE TO WRITE, BUT HE MUST BE A GOOD ANALYZER, LIVE IN WASHINGTON PARENTHESIS THAT'S WHERE THE INFORMATION IS THAT MORGENTHAU WANTS PARENTHESIS CLOSED, AND BE ABLE TO HAVE CONTACTS. THE BROADCASTS, ACCORDING TO MORGENTHAU, ARE ONCE A WEEK, FIFTEEN MINUTES FOR TWENTYSIX WEEKS, BUT THERE IS NO GUARANTEE THEY WILL CONTINUE EITHER THAT LONG OR BEYOND. MORGENTHAU ASKED WHITE IF HE KNEW KAPLAN, WHO WAS ON LEAVE FROM OHIO STATE. WHITE ADVISED THAT HE WAS NOT ACQUAINTED WITH THIS KAPLAN. WHITE SUGGESTED OSCAR ~~GASS~~ AS A POSSIBILITY. GASS, ACCORDING TO WHITE, IS ~~PRESENTLY~~ PRESENTLY WORKING ON THE QUOTE JORDAN VALLEY BUSINESS UNQUOTE. SUBSEQUENT INFORMATION FROM A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE INDICATED THAT THE ABOVE REFERRED TO KAPLAN IS BEN KAPLAN. MORGENTHAU TOLD WHITE HE NOTICED THAT THE NEW YORK TIMES HAD AN ARTICLE ON APRIL FIVE SAYING THAT DOUGLAS HAD NEVER ACCEPTED THE POSITION AS HEAD OF THE INTERNATIONAL BANK. WHITE REMARKED THAT HE HAD HEARD THAT IT WAS PART OF A DEAL THAT EITHER HE WAS GOING TO BE OFFERED ~~IT~~ IT OR HAD ACCEPTED IT OR SOMETHING. MORGENTHAU STATED THAT VINSON HAD NEVER ANSWERED HIS LETTER. ~~WHITE~~ WHITE REMARKED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD VINSON WAS EXTREMELY MAD AND MORGENTHAU REPLIED THAT SUCH A CONDITION DID NOT SURPRISE HIM, BUT THAT IT PUTS DOUGLAS

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[IN A VERY EMBARRASSING POSITION, AND REQUESTED THAT WHITE GET THE LAST ~~WEEK~~ ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, OF WHICH DOUGLAS IS PRESIDENT, AND READ IT, REMARKING THAT THE ARTICLE PERTAINED TO INTEREST RATES AND REMARKED HOW RIDICULOUS IT WAS TO SAY THAT LOW INTEREST RATES DON'T HURT BUSINESS. MORGENTHAU REMARKED THAT PM DID A BEAUTIFUL JOB IN THEIR EDITORIAL CONCERNING THE ABOVE BANK. WHITE REMARKED THAT HE WOULD DO WHAT HE COULD TO FIND AN ASSISTANT FOR MORGENTHAU. THE SAME SOURCE INDICATED THAT HARRY WHITE WAS CONTACTED BY DICK GILBERT IN CONNECTION WITH LOCATING AN ASSISTANT FOR MORGENTHAU, AND REQUESTED THAT GILBERT GET IN TOUCH WITH OSCAR GASS. GASS ALSO SUGGESTED LUDWIG LIMANN AS A POSSIBLE ASSISTANT TO MORGENTHAU. WHITE REMARKED THAT HE DIDN'T KNOW WHETHER HE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN THE JOB, STATING THAT HE WAS NOT BRILLIANT BUT VERY ABLE. WHITE ALSO REMARKED THAT IRVING FREEDMAN MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN TAKING THE JOB. ACCORDING TO A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, IT WAS LEARNED THAT ON APRIL FIVE, FORTYSIX, AT TEN FORTYFIVE AM, ~~BERNARD~~ BERNARD REDMONT LEFT WASHINGTON, D.C., BY PLANE FOR MIAMI FLORIDA, ON THE FIRST LEG OF HIS TRIP TO SOUTH AMERICA AS AN ~~EMP~~ EMPLOYEE OF WORLD REPORT. IT WAS LEARNED THAT BERNARD REDMONT SUBSEQUENTLY CONTACTED HIS WIFE FROM MIAMI, FLORIDA, AND ADVISED HER

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[THAT IN THE EVENT SHE NEEDED ANY CONTACT WHEN SHE PASSED
THROUGH MIAMI ENROUTE TO JOIN HIM IN SOUTH AMERICA, SHE WAS TO
CONTACT ONE FREDDIE CANEL, A FORMER STATE DEPARTMENT GREETER AND
OIAA CORRESPONDENT IN MIAMI, WHO IS ~~REDACTED~~ PRESENTLY LOSING HIS
JOB AND HAS JUST SET UP A TRAVEL AGENCY IN THE ARCADE OF THE COLUMBUS
HOTEL IN MIAMI, FLORIDA. IT WAS FURTHER LEARNED THAT JOAN
REDMONT WOULD JOIN BERNARD REDMONT WITHIN THE NEXT SIX WEEKS.
ACCORDING TO A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, ~~REDACTED~~

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ACCORDING TO A PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE
ON APRIL SEVEN, FORTYSIX, IT WAS LEARNED THAT MR. AND MRS. NATHAN
GREGORY SILVERMASTER AND WILLIAM LUDWIG ULLMANN SPENT THE EVENING
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MARY JANE KEENEY. REFERENCE IS MADE TO NEW
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REPORT MADE AT SEATTLE	DATE WHEN MADE 4/1/46	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2/18; 3/6/46	REPORT MADE BY RICHARD W. AXTELL
TITLE NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, with aliases et al			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject SOLOMON AARON LISCHINSKY registered Roosevelt Hotel, Seattle, Washington 2-19-46 and still residing there as of 3-6-46. A desk was furnished him in the U.S. Treasury Procurement offices, O'Shea Building, Seattle, Washington and has spent regular working hours there, where he is engaged in obtaining fishing ships and crews for China in connection with his work for UNNRA. He has been in contact with THOR HOFSTAD, Bellingham, Washington, who, together with his wife, has been suspected of Communist sympathies. Confidential source furnished names of other acquaintances and contacts.

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REFERENCE:

Teletype from Washington Field to Seattle dated 2-15-46.
Teletype to Washington Field, 2-18-46
Letter to Bureau, dated 2-21-46.

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DETAILS:

Referenced teletype from the Washington Field Office indicated that subject SOLOMON AARON LISCHINSKY had been staying at the Olympic Hotel and was presently reported to be working in the Marine Building, War Shipping Limited, Vancouver, B.C.

Mr. FRANK ROSS, Assistant Manager of the hotel, after checking his records, advised that subject LISCHINSKY had registered at the Olympic Hotel on January 23, 1946 and had left February 3, 1946. No forwarding address was given. Mr. ROSS advised that mail was being held for the subject at the Olympic Hotel. Mr. ROSS advised that

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LISCHINSKY had occupied Room 716 at the hotel and that records of phone calls made by him would be on file at the hotel. A lead is being set forth to obtain the records of the hotel reflecting the numbers called by LISCHINSKY.

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A newspaper article appeared in the Vancouver B.C. Daily Province for February 13, 1946. This newspaper article, under a large photograph of the subject, was captioned "UNRR/ Agents Here to Buy Fishing Boats for China". Immediately under the photograph of subject appears the following:

"Buying Fishing Boats—A former Canadian, S.A. ^①LISCHINSKY, once a resident of Estevan, Sask., is in Vancouver as one of a two-man survey and purchasing mission for UNRR/. They are seeking fishing boats to rebuild China's fishing fleet and help that nation avert starvation. Mr. LISCHINSKY, now a resident of Washington, D.C., is here with H. K. MURPHY. Registered at the Hotel Vancouver, they are receiving many callers who want to sell their fishing craft".

A photograph of the subject was obtained and when copies are prepared, will be forwarded to the office of origin.

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Mr. EVERETT NELSON, manager of the Roosevelt Hotel, Seattle, Washington, advised after checking his records, that subject as S. A. LASHINSKY registered at the Roosevelt Hotel, Seattle, at 9:20 p.m. on February 19, 1946. He was given Room 607 and on the following day transferred to Room 409. Mr. NELSON also advised that subject had given his home address as 2002 Fort Davis Street, Washington, D.C. No record was noted of H. K. MURPHY having registered at the Roosevelt Hotel.

A spot-check surveillance conducted on the subject over a period of several days reflected that he followed a routine procedure of leaving the hotel at approximately 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. and proceeding directly to the O'Shea Building, 1524 Fifth Avenue. At this building subject would go to the Third floor, offices of the U.S. Treasury Procurement Division and he was observed on several occasions using a desk made available to him. Subject had frequent persons at his desk whom he appeared to be interviewing. He was observed there at various times through the day and it was ascertained that he generally left the building at approximately 5:00 p.m., when he returned to the Roosevelt Hotel.

Mr. BLAIR, Assistant Manager of the Roosevelt Hotel, made available the following information relative to telephone calls made by subject from his room at the Roosevelt Hotel:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NUMBER CALLED</u>	<u>RESIDENT</u>
2-19-46	HA0810L	MR. BRATCHEK, Vancouver, B.C.
2-19-46	CA0246	JERRY OLKSMITH, 2224 Broadway North Seattle
2-24-46	MA7900	Washington Athletic Club, ERIC MIZEDUS
2-24-46	MA8935	Ward's Cove Packing Company 625 Colman Building Mr. BRENDAL (phonetic)
2-28-46	BE2718	THOR HOFSTAD, Bellingham, Washington
2-28-46	EL4900	U.S. Government Federal Works Administration, 303 White Building, Seattle
2-28-46	EA3311	L. PHILIP Quality Cleaners, 614 - 12th Avenue
2-28-46	MA7900	Washington Athletic Club TON HENDERSON
3-2-46	EA3311	L. PHILIP, Quality Cleaners
	MA7900	Washington Athletic Club
3-3-46	PM3451	MIKE GILLIS, Rolling Bay, Port Madison, Washington

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The indices of the Seattle Field Division are negative with respect to MIKE GILLIS, TOM HENDERSON, L. PHILIP, FRED MIZEDUS, Mr. BRENDAL and JERRY OAKSMITH. Further investigation will be conducted to ascertain the identities of these individuals.

Confidential Informant T-1 advised on March 5, 1946 that subject had prepared a lengthy telegram, which was sent as a night letter on March 4, 1946 to Mr. C. H. WILLSON, Room 918, Agricultural Office Rehabilitation, UNRRA, 1344 Connecticut Avenue Northwest, Washington D.C. The informant advised that the telegram dealt with the progress made by subject to recruit crews and obtain fishing boats for China, and indicated that the subject requested authority to make agreements with shippers, chief engineers and fishermen to handle this work. It was indicated that a fish convoy for China must be ready within two weeks from March 4, 1946.

Confidential Informant T-2 advised that a letter addressed to the subject at 3821 ~~West Street South~~, Washington, D.C. had been forwarded to the Olympic Hotel, Seattle to be held for him. A return address on the letter indicated that it was from the University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada. Confidential Informant T-2 also advised that the letter contained an invitation to the subject to attend a memorial service for the late GEORGE SIDNEY SMITH, M.A. FRSC, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada, the memorial to be held in the first week of March, 1946.

A very highly confidential source made available material usually found in the possession of the subject containing the following names and addresses:

- 1-GEORGE J. ALEXANDER, Commissioner of Fishery, Vancouver, B.C.
- 2-FRANK SOFSKY, c/o Norton-Lily Company, Room 810, Smith Tower
Seattle

The indices of the Seattle Field Division are negative with respect to FRANK SOFSKY.)

- 3-414376. This number was listed to TOM L. FOLLETTE, 2557 - 4th Avenue West, Seattle. The indices with respect to L. FOLLETTE are negative in the Seattle Field Division.

- 4-SCHAEFFNER Iron and Steel, MT1335

- 5-FRANK GRITZNOVICH, 3469 Pandora Street, Vancouver, B.C. H-5049-R
6-2305 TURNER

- 7-FRANK PETO, Research Genetics, c/o B.C. Sugar Refinery
PHILIP ROGERS, President

- 8-Mr. BOGDANOVIC, Frank Sardine Company, San Pedro, California

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- 9-JOHN BRADJIC, San Pedro, California, 1619 Center Street,
- 10-Mr. ADAMS, SE2902, Extension 210. This number is listed to The Coast Guard Headquarters, Alaska, Building, Seattle.
- 11-HANSON, EL3549. This number is listed to Mr. H. C. HANSON, Naval Architect, Coleman Building #102.
- 12-CARL HANNAH, Oxnard 1030, Extension 322 (It is believed that this number belongs to a Vancouver, B.C. telephone exchange).
- 13-Mr. DAY, Wartime Shipbuilding, Room 372, Marine Building, Vancouver, B.C.
- 14-ROSENBERG, ARSTED, 3104 Home, Pacific 2011 (office)
- 15-Bridges Administration of Fisheries, Vancouver, B.C.

In addition to the above, portions of material made available by a very highly confidential source reflected that there were references to many small boats, including figures for tonnage, length, engine capacity, and various other specifications. It is believed that the above pertains to the contacts made by subject to obtain small fishing boats for China.

On February 28, 1946, Mr. BLAIR, Assistant Manager of the Roosevelt Hotel, advised that subject paid his bill by a check drawn on the National Capital Bank of Washington, D.C.

With reference to THOR HOFSTAD, who was known to be called by the subject on 2-28-46, the indices of the Seattle Office reflect the following information:

In 1943 THOR BARRENT HOFSTAD submitted an application for permission to travel to Alaska. He indicated on the application that he was born March 18, 1897 at Wrangel, Alaska. He had been the operator of a light plane at Seldovia, Alaska, and likewise had been employed as an Assistant Marine Superintendent at the port of Embarkation, Seattle, Washington. His application for a commission in the United States Navy Reserve was refused in the Thirteenth Naval District because various allegations were reported which were unverified that HOFSTAD advocated in the United States form of Government to make it conform to the Russian type. He was reported to be both pro-nazi and communistic in 1941, and he is married to JEAN HOFSTAD, who likewise was reported to be a radical influence in the community where she had previously lived. THOR HOFSTAD and his wife had been the subject of investigation by the Los Angeles Field Division. HOFSTAD's wife, Mrs. JEAN HOFSTAD, submitted application on January 19, 1943 for permission to travel to Alaska. On this application form she indicated she had been born July 31, 1893 at Carey Owen, Iowa. Numerous reports were received by the Anchorage Field Division indicating that Mrs. HOFSTAD was radical in her views and in

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sympathy with the democratic form of Communism.

In November, 1940 it was reported that she had urged the preparation of certain typewritten notices which were posted on several store fronts at Seldovia, Alaska urging a current attempt by other individuals to form a Red Cross to aid England. These notices contained the words "Heil Hitler" or "Hurrah for Germany". It was alleged that while a former principal in the public school at Seldovia, she had submitted therein subversive ideas among school children. Reportedly, she was among certain individuals excluded from Anchorage and Seward when President HOOVER visited there in 1923. It was also reported that she was an associate of wellknown radicals of her community and forced her husband and others to join her Communistic beliefs. She was formerly married to one J. KEITH McCULLOCH, of Homer, Alaska, who was described as a known radical. It was also reported that patriotic literature sent to her school was destroyed on receipt.

Both THOR and JEAN HOFSTAD had been critical of the U.S. Army and Navy for their failure to dislodge the Japs from the Aleutian Islands.

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THE LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION

At San Pedro, California, will ascertain the identity and background of Mr. BOGDANOVIC, c/o FRANK Sardine Company, And Mr. JOHN BRAJCIC, 1619 Center Street, San Pedro.

THE SEATTLE FIELD DIVISION

At Seattle, Washington, will contact Mr. FRANK ROSS, Assistant manager, Olympic Hotel, to secure the telephone numbers called by subject from Room 716, Olympic Hotel, during the period from January 23, 1946 to February 3, 1946.

Will continue to follow and discreetly ascertain the activities and contacts of subject while in Seattle.

Will, when copies of photographs are obtained, forward same to the office of origin.

Will identify and ascertain the background of FRED MIZEDUS, Washington Athletic Club; Mr. BRENDAL (phonetic) c/o Wards Cove Packing, 625 Coleman Building; Mr. H. C. HANSON, Navy Architect, 102 Coleman Building; TOM LAFOLLETTE, 2557 Fourth Avenue West; MIKE GILLIS, Rolling Bay, Port Madison, Washington; FRANK SOFSKI, c/o Norton-Lily Company, Room 810, Smith Tower Building; TOM HENDERSON, Washington Athletic Club and JERRY O. KSMITH, 2224 Broadway North.

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Mr. BLAIR, Assistant Manager Roosevelt Hotel, Seattle, Washington, whose name is being kept confidential by reason of the nature of the information furnished.

T-2

FRANK ROSS, Assistant Manager, Olympic Hotel, whose name is being kept confidential by reason of the nature of the information furnished.

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Synopsis of Facts

Mail cover reflects MARY PRICE, Greensboro, N. C., receiving correspondence from Business Week Magazine, SCHW, NY Medical College, F. ZAK, and ARNOLD CONSTABLE, all of New York. Confidential informants have no information to date on MARY PRICE's out of state contacts.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau letter to Charlotte, February 5, 1946.

DETAILS:

AT GREENSBORO, N.C.

Mr. B. S. ELDRIDGE, Superintendent of Mails, Greensboro Post Office, advised that he would place a 60 day mail cover upon correspondence received by MARY PRICE at 903 Courtland Street, Greensboro, N. C. Results of this mail cover to date are as follows:

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Apt. 33 420 West 118th St., New York, N. Y.	Miss Mary Price 903 Courtland Greensboro, N. C.	2-19-46
1608 Palmyra Ave., Richmond 22, Va.	"	2-19-46
207 W. 11th St., N.Y.C. 14	"	2-20-46
Yugoslav Independence Day Celebration Com. 235 E. 11th St., New York, N. Y.	" 207 W. 11th St., New York, N. Y. (marked out) 903 Courtland St., Greensboro, N. C.	2-26-46
Business Week 330 W. 42nd St., New York 18, N. Y.	Miss Mary Price 903 Courtland St., Greensboro, N. C.	2-27-46
New York Committee Southern Conference for Human Welfare, Murray Hill Hotel 112 Park Ave New York 17, N. Y.	"	2-27-46
Kaiser Engineers, Inc. 1924 Broadway Oakland 12, Calif.	"	3-6-46
New York Medical College Flower and Fifth Ave. Hosp., Fifth Ave. and 105th St., New York, N. Y.	Mary Price 207 West 11th St., New York City Forw'd to: 903 Courtland St., Greensboro, N. C.	Orig. mailing 2-25-46 Forwarded 3-7-46, Delivered 3-9-46.
F. Zak 207 W. 11th St., New York 14, N. Y.	Mary Price 903 Courtland St., Greensboro, N. C.	3-11-46

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<u>ADDRESSOR</u>	<u>ADDRESSEE</u>	<u>DELIVERY DATE</u>
S. J. Ewen, D.D.S. 57 West 57th St., Medical Arts Center New York City	Mary Price 903 Courtland St., Greensboro, N. C.	3-11-46
Arnold Constable 453 Fifth Ave., New York 16, N. Y.	"	3-11-46
F. Zak 207 W. 11th St., N.Y.C. 14	"	3-19-46
National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc., 114 East 32 St., New York 16, N. Y.	Miss Mary Price 207 W. 11th St., New York 14, N. Y.	3-22-46
	Forw'd to: 903 Courtland Dr., Greensboro, N. C.	

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Confidential Informant T1 advised that he had reviewed the files of his office, which files failed to reflect any information concerning delivery of material to MARY PRICE during the months of January, February, and through March 15, 1946. He stated that should any information be received he would furnish the same to the Charlotte Field Division.

Confidential Informant T2 advised that he was presently conducting a search of his records for any information concerning correspondence with MARY PRICE, and that he would furnish the same upon completion of his inquiry.

Confidential Informant T3 of the Woman's College at the University of North Carolina, advised that she had been rather closely associated with MARY PRICE in the latter's activities in connection with the Southern Conference for Human Welfare. Informant T3 advised that to date she knew of no out of state contacts made by MARY PRICE with the exception of parties associated with MARY PRICE in connection with her operation of the SCHE.

A highly confidential and reliable source advised that the 1946 Ford club coupe operated by MARY PRICE contained no information of value to instant investigation.

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CHARLOTTE:

At Greensboro, N. C.

Will report results of mail cover presently being maintained on MARY PRICE at 903 Courtland Street. *glu*

Will recontact Confidential Informant T1 for any information he may have secured in connection with MARY PRICE.

Will recontact Confidential Informant T3 for the identity of parties who might be in contact with MARY PRICE.

At Charlotte, N. C.

Will recontact Confidential Informant T2 for any information he may have received from his inquiries regarding correspondents of MARY PRICE.

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IDENTITY OF INFORMANTS

Confidential Informant T1 is:

Mr. ~~EDWARD~~ ADDISON, Manager
Western Union Telegram Company,
West Market at Green Streets,
Greensboro, N.C.

Confidential Informant T2 is:

Mr. F. H. ~~WASSON~~,
Southern Bell Telephone and
Telegraph Company,
Johnston Building,
Charlotte, N. C.

Confidential Informant T3 is:

Miss ~~MERRE~~ ~~ACSSMAN~~,
Professor of Sociology,
Woman's College,
University of North Carolina,
Greensboro, North Carolina.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, F.B.I.

DATE: April 5, 1946

FROM : SAC GUY HOTTEL, Washington Field

SUBJECT: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, ETAL
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Reference is made to a personal and confidential letter from the Director to the Washington Field Division dated March 27, 1946 in the above-entitled case.

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The following information contained in the files of the Washington Field Division which has recently been obtained and furnished to the Bureau regarding JAMES R. NEWMAN and HERBERT S. MARKS is set forth as follows for the benefit of the New York City Field Division: The following data was obtained from the Civil Service Commission Files in Washington, D. C. regarding HERBERT SIMON MARKS:

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cc to New York City

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TO: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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United States Department of Justice
Los Angeles 13, California
April 1, 1946

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was., Et Al
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Dear Sir:

Kindly furnish the known criminal record of the following:

Name (inc. aliases)	City, Police Arrest, or Other Number.	Approximate date Fin- gerprints forwarded Federal Bureau of In- vestigation.	Fingerprint Classification.
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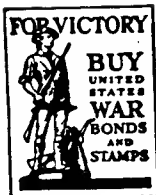
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Very truly yours,

R. B. HOOD

Special Agent in Charge

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION (APRIL 5, 1946) *Qu*

Transmit the following message to: LEGAL ATTACHE BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA *86 4464*

LEGAL ATTACHE RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL *558 46 41*

LEGAL ATTACHE MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY *358 46 41*

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You will recall that Dr. James Wood, an employee of the United States Treasury Department formerly assigned to Lisbon, Portugal, in connection with both the Treasury Department and the Office of Strategic Services, has been in contact with subjects in the above case. Former Special Agent Dennis A. Flinn, who is personally acquainted with Dr. Wood, has advised that he recently ascertained that Dr. James Wood is now employed in the Division of Monetary Research in the United States Treasury Department under the immediate supervision of Virginus Frank Coe, also a subject in the above case. It will be recalled further that this Division is under the direct control of the subject Harry Dexter White.

Mr. Flinn has advised further that so far as he knows, Wood is not a Communist although he may be "left of center" in his political and ideological orientation.

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FIFTH CONCERNING EDWIN ROSSKAM, [REDACTED]

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DELANO LIVING IN APARTMENT AT THIS ADDRESS AND IT HAS BEEN ASCERTAINED
THAT MARY JANE KEENEY SPENT EVENING OF MARCH TEN, NINETEEN FORTYSIX IN
APARTMENT OF DELANO AND WAS TAKEN TO STATION BY HIM ON MARCH ELEVEN,
FORTYSIX. UNLESS ADVISED TO CONTRARY, MAIL COVER TO BE PLACED ON EDWIN
ROSSKAM, TEN DOWNING STREET, NYC AND JACK DELANO, ONE ONE NAUGHT CHRIST-
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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R, REFER FIVE IS. ON INTERVIEW TODAY INFORMANT GREGORY STATED SHE SPENT APPROXIMATELY TWO AND ONE HALF HOURS APRIL SIXTH INSTANT WITH HELEN TENNEY IN NYC, AND USING GENERAL APPROACH OUTLINED MY LETTER APRIL THREE INSTANT, WAS ABLE TO SECURE THE FOLLOWING INFO. TENNEY MET MAN WHOSE DESCRIPTION TALLYS VERY CLOSELY WITH UNSUB

JACK SHORTLY AFTER GREGORY CEASED SEEING TENNEY IN DEC NINETEEN FORTY FOUR, AND MET HIM PURSUANT TO ARRANGEMENTS MADE BY INFORMANT ON HER LAST VISIT WITH TENNEY. SHORTLY AFTER TENNEY MET THIS UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL HE TURNED HER OVER TO JOSEPH GREGG, WHOM TENNEY HAD PREVIOUSLY KNOWN. TENNEY WAS IN FREQUENT CONTACT WITH GREGG, MEETING HIM APPARENTLY AT VARIOUS PLACES IN WASHINGTON AND TURNING OVER MATERIAL TO HIM IN MANNER SHE FORMERLY HAD TO INFORMANT. TENNEY TOLD INFORMANT SHE WAS NOT WELL PLEASED WITH GREGG'S TECHNIQUE AS HE WAS TOO CARELESS AND OPEN ABOUT THEIR MEETINGS AND MANNER IN WHICH HE CONDUCTED HIMSELF. SHE COMPLAINED ABOUT HIM TO UNKNOWN MAN DESCRIBED ABOVE WHO TOLD HER GREGG WAS MERELY A MESSENGER, THAT SHE WAS NOT TO CONFIDE IN HIM, AND SHORTLY THEREAFTER, PROBABLY ABOUT MIDDLE OF MAY NINETEEN FORTY FIVE, THE UNKNOWN SUBJECT BELIEVED TO BE JACK INTRODUCED TENNEY TO NEW WOMAN CONTACT. DESCRIPTION OF LATTER, ACCORDING TO INFORMANT, TALLYS PERFECTLY WITH RAY

ELSON AFTER MEETING THIS WOMAN TENNEY SAW GREGG ONLY ONCE, WHICH OCCASION WAS APRIL EIGHTEEN FORTY FIVE WHEN TENNEY HAD MESSAGE TO

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cc: Mr. Harvey

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DELIVER TO GREGG. TENNEY CONTINUED TO SEE THIS UNKNOWN WOMAN AT APPROXIMATE TWO WEEK INTERVALS IN WASHINGTON, AND TURNED OVER TO HER MATERIAL IN MANNER SHE FORMERLY HAD TO GREGORY. GREGORY WAS ABLE TO LEARN THAT TENNEY DEFINITELY SAW THIS WOMAN ON EVENING OF THANKSGIVING DAY IN WASHINGTON AND THEREAFTER PROBABLY SAW HER ONCE AROUND FIRST OF DEC NINETEEN FORTY FIVE. THEREAFTER HAD NO CONTACT WITH HER EXCEPT TELEPHONE CALL TO TENNEY FROM HER APPARENTLY AROUND THE TWELFTH OF DEC., WHICH TELEPHONE CALL HAD BEEN DESCRIBED PREVIOUSLY IN CONNECTION WITH REPORT OF GREGORYS CONVERSATION WITH TENNEY ON MARCH THIRTEEN INSTANT. INFORMANT GREGORY IS VIRTUALLY POSITIVE FROM DESCRIPTIONS AND OTHER DATA THAT INDIVIDUALS WHOM TENNEY MET AS DESCRIBED ABOVE ARE IDENTICAL WITH THE UNKNOWN ^{subject} JACK AND RAY ELSON, AND RECALLS IN MAY NINETEEN FORTY FIVE JACK ASKED INFORMANT TO GIVE RAY ELSON TWO DAYS OFF FROM WORK WITH US SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORP. BECAUSE HE WANTED HER QUOTE TO MEET SOMEBODY UNQUOTE STATED ALSO UNKNOWN MAN WAS LAME. INFORMANT BELIEVES THIS IS UNDOUBTEDLY OCCASION WHPON WHICH TENNEY MET ELSON IN WASHINGTON. FROM PROBABLY MAY NINETEEN FORTY FIVE UP TO TIME TENNEY LAST SAW THIS WOMAN, TENNEY RECEIVED FIFTY DOLLARS⁸ PER MONTH PURSUANT TO ARRANGEMENTS MADE BY INFORMANT WITH JACK LATTER PART OF FORTY FOUR. DURING CONVERSATION BETWEEN INFORMANT AND TENNEY ON APRIL SIXTH INSTANT, LATTER TOLD INFORMANT SHE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS TO REPLENISH HER BANK ACCOUNT. INFORMANT LEARNED THAT TENNEY HAS GIVEN CONSIDERATION TO FACT SHE MAY SOMETIME BE INTERVIEWED RELATIVE TO HER PAST ACTIVITIES, AND HAS MAPPED OUT A DEFENSE IF ANYONE QUESTIONS HER PAST AFFILIATIONS ALONG LINES THERE WERE PROMINENT RESPECTABLE PERSONS ASSOCIATED WITH EVERY GROUP TO WHICH

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SHE EVER BELONGED. SHE APPARENTLY BELIEVES ANY QUESTIONING WOULD BE ALON
LINES OF FORMER ACTIVITY ON BEHALF OF SPANISH COMMITTEE AND SIMILAR FRONT
GROUPS. AND SAID NO ONE COULD PROVE A THING ON HER. IN VIEW OF THE AB-
OVE IT IS BELIEVED NO FURTHER CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN AT THIS TIME
TO INTERVIEWING TENNEY. SHE TOLD INFORMANT SHE PLANS TO BE IN NYC WEEK-
END OF MAY FOURTH, AT WHICH TIME THEY WILL MEET. REFERENCE IS MADE TO
BUREAU LETTER DATED APRIL THIRD INSTANT RE CORBY CASE, TO WHICH WAS ATT-
ACHED A PHOTOGRAPH OF FRIEDA LINTON, GIRLFRIEND TO FRED ROSE. THIS PHOTO
GRAPH WAS EXHIBITED TO GREGORY BUT SHE FAILED TO IDENTIFY THIS WOMAN AS
BEING IDENTICAL WITH THE WOMAN SHE MET WITH FRED ROSE IN NYC IN FALL
OF NINETEEN FORTY THREE. GREGORY DEFINITELY RECALLED THAT THIS WOMAN
SHE MET WITH FRED ROSE WAS WEARING A CANADIAN SERVICEWOMANS UNIFORM
AND FROM HER CONVERSATION APPEARED TO BE A BONA FIDE MEMBER TO THE ARMED
FORCES AND SPOKE LIKE A NATIVE BORN CANADIAN. SHE DESCRIBED THIS WOMAN
AS BEING ABOUT FIVE FEET TALL, SLIGHT BUILD, DARK BROWN HAIR, RIMMED
GLASSES, JEWISH APPEARANCE, AND WORE HER HAIR STRAIGHT BACK AND PUFFED
IN THE BACK. [CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED ON APRIL SIXTH INSTANT THAT
RAY ELSON IS SERIOUSLY CONSIDERING RESIGNING HER EMPLOYMENT AT N. F.
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In connection with the above-captioned cases it will be recalled that
Hazen Sieg has been involved in the investigation of both. It will be recalled
that Hazen Sieg was named by the highly confidential informant Corby in the
above-captioned case and was also named by the informant Gregory in the
Silvermaster case as having been placed in touch with the informant and the
informant's then Soviet superior, Jacob M. Golos, in New York City. (S) (u)

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It is desired that in so far as is now possible to do so the activities and contacts of Hasen Sise in Washington, D. C. and New York City be discreetly ascertained. (u)

Any pertinent information developed in this regard should be reported in connection with whichever one of the above-captioned cases would most closely pertain thereto, bearing in mind the fact that Sise has been implicated in both cases but most deeply implicated in the Corby case.

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[REDACTED] will be made available to the Bureau and will be furnished to the New York and Washington Field Offices for further information and assistance in connection with this phase of the above-captioned cases. (S) (u)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: April 1, 1946

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field Office

SUBJECT: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, Et Al
ESPIONAGE - RATTENTION: TRANSLATION UNIT

Enclosed herewith is a copy of a mail tracing received in the above-entitled case. It is believed that this is written in the Hungarian language.

It is requested that this tracing from postal card be translated and submitted to this office.

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My dear children,

We are all well and we hope that all of you are the same. We received the letter from ~~Soma~~, all of us, leave the (unintelligible) for him.

Dear children, I say that we will only come to Washington whenever our finances will allow for it..I hope that you will remain there so that when the dwelling(or apt) is vacant we will come afterwards. Will help.. with finances.

Kisses from
Father and Mother

Translator's note: Person is probably very poor writer since spelling in most cases is phonetic.

Translated by:
Helen E. Pastor
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Reference is made to your letter dated April 1, 1946, enclosing a copy of a mail tracing received in instant case which was believed to have been written in the Hungarian language, *mil*

You are being furnished herewith copies of a translation of the tracing appearing on the postal card furnished by your office. The mail cover submitted by you with reference letter is being returned herewith.

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April 8, 1946

Director, FBI

Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER,
with aliases, et al;
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Dear Sir:

As the Bureau is aware, Confidential Informant GREGORY advised that in approximately November of 1936 she was introduced by one BEATRICE CARLIN to an individual known as JOSEPH ECKHART. BEATRICE CARLIN, who was at that time connected with the American League against War and Fascism, asked GREGORY to be of service to JOSEPH ECKHART when ECKHART came to the United States. Apparently GREGORY was to function in a capacity similar to that of a private secretary. As above noted, BEATRICE CARLIN did introduce GREGORY to ECKHART, but actually GREGORY had little contact with ECKHART and saw him for the last time in January of 1938, when ECKHART stated he was leaving the United States. GREGORY can furnish no additional information concerning ECKHART'S activities or present whereabouts. However, it will be recalled that JACOB GOLOS, who was engaged in Russian espionage and who was GREGORY'S principal at that time, told GREGORY that ECKHART was an NKVD agent and that he was active in the United States securing airplanes for use in Spain.

Investigation by this office has developed that one JOSEPH ECKHART (his picture has been identified by GREGORY as the individual introduced to her by BEATRICE CARLIN) filed a Declaration of Intention for United States citizenship in the District Court, Southern District of New York, on June 5, 1936. He claimed to have been born in Kovno, Lithuania, February 2, 1895, and to have entered the United States illegally via ferry from Windsor, Canada, March 2, 1921. Years later, in 1935, he legalized his presence in the United States by securing a Certificate of Registry. However, investigation locally and in Philadelphia has failed to develop that ECKHART ever pursued his Declaration of Intention with a view to becoming a citizen.

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ECKHART'S activities from 1921 to December of 1934 are fairly well accounted for. However, in January of 1935, according to information from Immigration and Naturalization sources, he became employed by one JOSEPH A. DE WYCKOFF, of Ramsey, New Jersey. ECKHART stated that his occupation was that of a chemist, but he did not further define his employment activities with DE WYCKOFF nor further identify this individual.

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On December 18, 1935, ECKHART filed an application for a re-entry-permit at New York City and stated that at that time he was employed as a chemist by JOSEPH DE WYCKOFF, Ramsey, New Jersey.

Investigation by this office tends to substantiate information furnished by GREGORY to the effect that ECKHART left the country in 1938, probably in the early part of the year. Checks of all known sources have failed to establish that he reentered this country, at least under his true name, his last known entry having occurred on February 24, 1937. It is also interesting to note that ECKHART'S last application for a reentry permit was filed October 31, 1936.

Little is known about ECKHART'S employment in this country after December of 1934. For some years prior to that time he was regularly employed in the transportation field in New York City, but according to his own statements in January of 1935 he became employed by JOSEPH A. DE WYCKOFF of Ramsey, New Jersey.

The Newark Office was requested to ascertain the identity and background of this JOSEPH DE WYCKOFF and to consider the advisability of contacting him, either directly or under a suitable pretext, for further information concerning ECKHART'S present whereabouts and activities. From what information is available, it would appear that ECKHART changed his residence and place of employment from the United States to England, presumably around 1938. The Newark Office has now advised that the Postmaster at Ramsey, New Jersey, knew of JOSEPH DE WYCKOFF, who formerly resided on Franklin Turnpike in Ramsey but who as of June 30, 1944, changed his address to 1608 Tiger Tail Avenue, Miami, Florida. The Postmaster said that JOSEPH DE WYCKOFF formerly owned one of the large estates in the vicinity of Ramsey, New Jersey, and that he was considered one of the wealthier men in that area. About two years ago, according to this source, DE WYCKOFF sold his property for sub-divisions. It was stated that DE WYCKOFF was of Russian Jewish extraction, but the Postmaster knew little about his business activities.

The Newark Office subsequently interviewed HARRY VOSS, Chief of Police in Ramsey, and VOSS stated that he was well acquainted with JOSEPH DE WYCKOFF. VOSS described DE WYCKOFF as being a thoroughly reliable individual with plenty of money. Mr. VOSS recalled that DE WYCKOFF had a variety of business interests in New York City, at one time having been associated with the late CHARLES M. SCHWAB and with the Vanadium Steel Corporation. According to VOSS, DE WYCKOFF is separated from his wife, MINERVA, and Mrs. DE WYCKOFF resides in New York City at the present time.

The Miami Office, which is being furnished a copy of this letter, is requested to check their indices for information concerning DE WYCKOFF,

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and if no adverse information is found, to interview DE WYCKOFF under a suitable pretext for further information concerning ECKHART'S present whereabouts and activities. It should be noted that JACOB GOLOS, who was unquestionably active in Russian espionage, described ECKHART as an NKVD agent. However, extensive investigation has failed to indicate that ECKHART is still in the United States, and consequently the secondary purpose of this inquiry will be to attempt to fix definitely the time and place of ECKHART'S last departure from this country so that this information may be verified from official sources.

It is noted that the captioned case is of an extremely confidential nature and that the investigation here referred to is to be conducted on a most discreet and circumspect basis. If there are any indications whatsoever that a pretext interview with DE WYCKOFF does not seem to be advisable at this time, this information should be brought to the attention of the Bureau and office of origin before any action is taken.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy
E. E. CONROY,
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Edward Joseph Fitzgerald was born November 19, 1911, at New York City. He is married to Rebekah Millar Fitzgerald, born May 9, 1908, at Hillsboro, Pennsylvania, and one daughter has been born to this union. Fitzgerald received his elementary education in the public schools of New York City and received a Ph.D. in social science about 1932 from the University of Vermont. He has taken graduate work in economics at the University of Pennsylvania. (S) b1

So far as is known Fitzgerald's employment is as follows since 1932. On two occasions in 1933 and 1936, he was employed with the Eugenes Survey, Burlington, Vermont. From 1936 to 1941 he was employed with the National Research Project, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. In 1941 he came to Washington, D. C., and apparently became employed for the second time with the Federal Security Agency. Since that time he has been employed by the Federal Works Agency, the War Production Board, the Foreign Economic Administration, and he is presently employed by the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, United States Department of Commerce. His employment with the Federal Works Agency and the War Production Board was directly under the supervision of Irving Kaplan, another subject in the Gregory case, and Fitzgerald is known to be a close associate of Irving Kaplan. (S) (u)

The informant Gregory has identified Edward Joseph Fitzgerald as a member of the Soviet espionage parallel involved in the above case which has been generally referred to as the Perle parallel inasmuch as it has been headed at least ostensibly by Victor Perle, presently an employee of the United States Treasury Department. Gregory furnished the following information regarding Fitzgerald's activities: (S) (u)

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According to Gregory, Perle prior to 1944 was a member of a parallel securing information from United States Government agencies and possibly furnishing such information directly to Earl Browder, former head of the Communist Party, USA, although this latter conclusion has not been definitely established. At any rate, according to Gregory, during 1943 Jacob Golos, a Soviet agent of considerable importance who died on November 24, 1943, was placed in contact with this parallel by Earl Browder and was known to Gregory to be contacting this parallel directly. Early in 1944 Gregory was placed in contact with this parallel, which, as noted above, is generally referred to as the Perle parallel, by Earl Browder. Gregory made a number of contacts with this group which included in addition to Fitzgerald, Victor Perle, Charles Kramer and Henry Magdoff, all subjects in this case. This contact was arranged for Gregory by Browder through John Abt, known at one time to have been a member of the Communist underground group in the United States Government and presently counsel for the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, CIO. The first meeting between Gregory and this group was in fact arranged at John Abt's apartment in New York City. Gregory had several subsequent meetings with members of this group, including Fitzgerald, at which all of them, including Fitzgerald, supplied information. (u)

Information furnished by Gregory reflects that Fitzgerald was active in this connection at least until April, 1945. Gregory has advised also that Fitzgerald was a member of the Communist Party, USA, at the time Gregory was contacting him and it should be noted in this connection that upon several occasions Gregory collected Communist Party dues from the members in the Perle group. (u)

Investigation has reflected that Edward Joseph Fitzgerald has been in frequent contact with a number of subjects involved in the above case, including Irving Kaplan, Henry Magdoff and George Parazich. (u)

This information has also been furnished to our London representative. (u)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
GEJ:FVB

TO : Mr. D. M. Ladd

DATE: February 26, 1946

FROM : J. C. Strickland

SUBJECT: W. J. VLADIMIR STEPANKOWSKI ✓
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Reference is made to the memorandum from the Director to the Attorney General dated January 11, 1946, concerning an interview had with [REDACTED] who resides at [REDACTED] N.W., Washington, [REDACTED] was interviewed at the Bureau on January 7, 1946, through his contacts he had ascertained that Vladimir Stepankowski was highly unreliable and a mercenary information merchant who during the period of his adult life has run the gamut of political chicanery and has sold his alleged intelligence information to every bidder.

[REDACTED] stated that Stepankowski had furnished various allegations to Albert E. Kahn, who for a number of years was editor of the Communist oriented professional anti-Fascist publication "The Hour", and that Kahn had included Stepankowski's allegations not only in "The Hour" but in his book "Sabotage". Subsequently several of [REDACTED] associates filed a libel suit against Kahn as a result of which he made public retraction of his allegations and apologized to [REDACTED] and his associates.

With further regard to Stepankowski, [REDACTED] stated that he is very strongly of the opinion that Stepankowski has been at varying times both a Soviet and a German agent. In this connection [REDACTED] advised that among Ukrainians is considered common knowledge that Stepankowski for many years has served the Germans and the Soviets.

ACTION

No action. This information is set forth in order that it may be properly correlated into the file concerning the subject.

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SAC, New York City

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John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS; ET AL
(URSULA IRENE WASSERMANN)
ESPIONAGE - R. REFER FIVE IS.

In connection with the phases of the above investigation involving the subject, Ursula Irene Wassermann, there is set out below information concerning

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The above information is being furnished for your information and assistance in connection with the further investigation of the above case. It should be carefully reviewed by your Office and made the basis for appropriate additional investigation, regarding particularly the activities of Ursula Irene Wassermann.

CC: WASHINGTON

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO : MR. D. M. LADD
FROM : MR E. G. Fitch
SUBJECT:

DATE: February 21, 1946

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER

[REDACTED]

ENR:edm

"I think we should send Gen. Vandenburg
a memo on the whole case and also on
Gregory one in view of his cordial
desire to cooperate.

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American Embassy
London, England
March 21, 1946

VIA AIR POUCH

ATTENTION: SIS EUROPEAN DESK

Director, FBI
Washington, D. C.

RE: ~~SOVIET ESPIONAGE~~

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated March 4, 1946, in which there was enclosed a copy of a summary of information dealing with underground Soviet espionage organizational activity in agencies of the U. S. [REDACTED]

It would be greatly appreciated if you would furnish me with two additional copies of this summary [REDACTED]

Very truly yours,

J. A. Cimperman
Legal Attache

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April 5, 1946

-Director, FBI

VICTOR PERLO
 RE: SECURITY MATTER

Dear Sir:

It is recommended that a Security Index card be prepared relative to the individual named below:

Name: VICTOR PERLO
 Aliases:

Residence Address: 4517 Brandywine Street, N. W.
 Washington, D. C.

Business Address: Treasury Department, Room 3205
 Washington, D. C.

☒ Native Born ☐ Alien ☐ Naturalized
☒ Communist ☐ German ☐ Miscellaneous
☐ Fascist (Italian) ☐ Japanese

~~Perlo has always believed he was born on 5/15/12, but birth certificate #3155, Dept. of Health, NYC, reflects birthdate as~~
 Date of Birth 5/16/12. ~~Perlo claims doctor erred in date.~~
 Place of Birth East Elmhurst, New York City
 Entered U. S. _____ at _____
 Naturalized (date) _____
 Naturalized (place and Court) _____

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
 SPECIAL AGENT
 GUY HOTTEL
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Washington, D. C.

RE: SECURITY MATTER

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that a security index card has been prepared at the Bureau, captioned as follows:

PERLO, VICTOR

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COMMUNIST

4517 Brandywine Street, N.W.
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The caption of the card prepared and filed in your Office must be kept current at all times and the Bureau immediately advised of any changes made therein in that connection.

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Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al;
(WILLIAM LUDWIG ULLMANN);
ESPIONAGE - R
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In connection with William Ludwig Ullmann, a primary subject in the above case, there is set out below certain information made available to the Bureau on April 1, 1946, by [redacted]

[Large redacted block]

The significance of the above information and the possibilities it presents in view of the extreme extent of Soviet domination and penetration of Czechoslovakia are obvious.

cc - New York

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Reference is made to the teletypes from the New York Field Division dated April 8 and 10, 1946, and from the Washington Field Division dated April 9, 1946, concerning the results of the contact between the informant Gregory and Helen Tenney in New York City on April 6, 1946, and the possibility that the latest contact of Helen Tenney is Ray Elson, and further identifying Joseph Gregg with Helen Tenney. In an effort to definitely identify the unknown woman contact of Helen Tenney, the following investigative procedures should be undertaken by the New York and Washington Field Divisions. *Q u*

It will be recalled that Tenney stated that she definitely saw the unknown woman on the evening of Thanksgiving Day (November 22, 1945) in Washington, D. C., and thereafter she had no contact with her except a telephone call which Tenney received from this woman about December 12, 1945. A review of the Tenney technical logs fails to reflect a contact or attempted contact on or about December 12, 1945, and therefore it is believed that the attempted contact previously referred to by Tenney to Gregory when they met in Washington on March 13, 1946, was in fact the contact on November 28, 1945, described as follows. The report of Special Agent Floyd L. Jones dated December 13, 1945, at Washington, D. C., reflects that at 6:35 P. M. on November 28, 1945, a telephone call was received by Helen Tenney from an unidentified woman who asked her where she could get an electric stove and Tenney replied that they could be obtained at the People's Drug Store. Tenney then stated that she would meet this woman shortly. The physical surveillance on that same date reflected that at 9:00 P. M. Helen Tenney left her apartment and proceeded to the People's Drug Store at the corner of 19th and Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., where she was observed to have a cup of coffee and wait for approximately twenty minutes after which she made a telephone call and then returned to her apartment. It is possible that the telephone call made at 6:35 P. M. was made by the unknown woman contact believed to be Ray Elson. *(Q) u*

The report of Special Agent Floyd L. Jones dated November 29, 1945, at Washington, D. C., also reflects that on Thanksgiving Day (November 22, 1945) Helen Tenney and an unknown soldier left Tenney's apartment at 4:10 P. M. and drove to Leesburg, Virginia, where they arrived at 7:00 P. M. They entered the People's National Bank Building and remained therein until 8:00 P. M., after which they returned to Washington. In accordance with the suggestion contained in New York teletype dated April 10, 1946, the Richmond Field Division is being instructed to endeavor to determine the identity of the persons contacted by Tenney and the soldier on the occasion of this trip. *5646*

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The Washington Field Division should immediately check the registration records at the larger local hotels in an effort to determine if Ray Elson registered at one of these hotels on or about November 22, 1945, and November 28, 1945, when it is known that Tenney was contacted by the unknown woman. If it is determined that Ray Elson did in fact register at a local hotel, the telephone call made by her should be checked in an effort to determine her contacts, particularly in mind that she may have contacted "Jack" on one of these visits. *Q u*

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The Washington Field Office should also display a photograph of Ray Elson to agents of the Washington Field Office who participated in the physical surveillance of Helen Tenney at any time during the course of this investigation in an effort to identify Elson as the unknown woman contact.

The Washington Field Office should also display a photograph of Helen Tenney and Ray Elson to agents of the Washington Field Office who worked on the physical surveillance of Joseph Gregg in an effort to identify Tenney or Elson as a contact of Gregg.

The Washington Field Office should also review the physical surveillance logs on Helen Tenney and Joseph Gregg in an effort to identify any previously unknown woman contacts of either of these subjects and should also furnish the New York Field Division with the descriptions and circumstances surrounding the contacts of any unknown woman contacts of Tenney and Gregg so that the New York Office can make these descriptions available to the informant Gregory.

The Washington Field Office should also immediately forward to the New York Office the technical surveillance recordings covering the Helen Tenney technical surveillance in order that the New York Office can attempt to identify the voice of the unknown woman who telephonically contacted Tenney at 6:35 P. M. on November 23, 1946, with the voice of Ray Elson. (S) u

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The Washington Field Office should check its technical log on Helen Tenney to determine if she called her apartment from the drug store at 9:00 P. M. on November 28, 1945, since it is possible that she may have contacted her apartment concerning the individual that she expected to meet on that occasion. (S) u

The Washington Field Office should review its recordings on the technical surveillance of Joseph Gregg in order to compare the known voice of Helen Tenney with any unidentified female voice who may have contacted Gregg during the course of this investigation. (S) u

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In the event a photograph of Helen Tenney is not available to the Washington Field Office, those agents who handled the physical surveillance of Joseph Gregg should be afforded an opportunity to physically observe Helen Tenney in order to determine if Helen Tenney is identical with any unknown woman who contacted Gregg in the past.

The New York Field Division, upon receipt of the recordings from the Washington Field Office, should make a comparison of the known voice of Ray Elson with the unknown woman's voice who contacted Helen Tenney on the night of November 28, 1945. It should also make such comparisons of other female voices contained in the recordings of the Helen Tenney technical surveillance.

The New York Office should, through Gregory, attempt to obtain from a casual inquiry of Ray Elson the hotel where Elson generally stays when she comes to Washington, it being noted that she was given two days off from work in May of 1945 when it is believed that she came to Washington, D. C.

The New York Office should increase its present spot surveillance on the activities of Ray Elson and renew its efforts to fully develop the identity of all of her contacts. A survey should be made of Elson's residence in order to determine if it is possible at a future date to develop a confidential source who will have access to her personal effects.

With respect to certain suggestions made by the New York Field Office in its teletype dated April 10, 1946, it is not believed feasible at this time to have those agents who worked on the physical surveillance of Helen Tenney in Washington travel to New York in order to make a visual observation of Ray Elson. Those agents who worked on the Tenney surveillance were temporarily assigned to Washington during the pertinent period and the majority of them are no longer in Washington, D. C. However, should it be necessary in the future to have these agents further identify Ray Elson, it is suggested that a photograph of Elson could be forwarded to them for the purpose of identification.

cc - Washington

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REFER NEW YORK TELETYPE APRIL EIGHT

TO BUREAU AND WASHINGTON FIELD, STATING THAT SUBJECT TENNEY CONTACTED
UNKNOWN WOMAN ON EVENING OF THANKSGIVING DAY, NINETEEN FORTYFIVE. ⁽¹¹⁻²²⁻⁴⁵⁾ b1

IN WASHINGTON. REFERENCE IS MADE TO REPORT OF SA FLOYD L. JONES
DATED DECEMBER THIRTEEN, NINETEEN FORTYFIVE AT WASHINGTON, D. C., PAGE
ONE SEVEN TWO, SIX THIRTYFIVE PM ENTRY NOVEMBER TWENTYEIGHT, AND PAGE
ONE SEVEN SIX, NINE PM ENTRY SAME DATE. MAURICE HALPERIN LEFT
WASHINGTON, D. C., TODAY AT NINE AM VIA PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD FOR
NEW YORK CITY. NEW YORK FIELD DIVISION ADVISED ^{John} [IT WAS LEARNED
FROM A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE THAT HALPERIN INTENDS TO RETURN TO
WASHINGTON LATE TONIGHT, APRIL NINE, INASMUCH AS HE HAS AN APPOINTMENT
AT GROUP HEALTH AT ELEVEN FORTYFIVE AM, WEDNESDAY, APRIL TEN, TO HAVE
X-RAY TAKEN. A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED THAT WOODROW BORAH CONTACTED
MAURICE HALPERIN AND ADVISED THAT ONE ~~ADOLPHO~~ ADOLPHO WAS IN WASHINGTON AND
WOULD BE HERE UNTIL WEDNESDAY OR THURSDAY. HALPERIN EXPRESSED HIS
DESIRE TO SEE ADOLPHO. BORAH STATED THAT ADOLPHO HAS A QUOTE GOOD
DEAL TO SAY AND SOME OF IT SOUNDS INTERESTING UNQUOTE. HE. 65-56402-848

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COUNTRY VETO WILL NOT BE EXERCISED ON EMPLOYEES BENEATH THE RANK OF SECTION CHIEF AND POINTED OUT THAT ADOLPHO HAS SOME VERY POWERFUL MEMBERS OF THE LATIN AMERICAN DELEGATIONS PULLING FOR HIM. BORAH EXPLAINED TO HALPERIN THAT THE SECTION CHIEFS MAKE BETWEEN EIGHT TO NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND THAT THE IMMEDIATE BRACKETS BENEATH THAT ARE BETWEEN SIX TO SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ADOLPHO HOPES TO SLIDE IN ON THE BRACKET BENEATH SECTION CHIEF WHERE THEY WOULD NOT HAVE TO USE THE COUNTRY VETO. BORAH STATED THAT ADOLPHO WAS URGING HIM PARENTHESIS BORAH PARENTHESIS CLOSED TO APPLY, AND STATED THAT WITH PULLING STRINGS IT WOULD BE FAIRLY CERTAIN THAT BORAH WOULD GET A SECTION CHIEF JOB. BORAH INQUIRED OF HALPERIN AS TO WHETHER HE KNEW A MAN NAMED HUTSON WHO USED TO BE UNDERSECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE AND WHO IS NOW THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY IN CHARGE OF PERSONNEL OF UN. HALPERIN STATED HE DID NOT KNOW HUTSON, BUT INDICATED HE MIGHT BE ABLE TO REACH HIM THROUGH WARREN THORNPLITT, PHONETIC. BORAH REMARKED THAT AL LESTER HAD CONTACTED ONE STEINBAUER AND STEINBAUER WAS VERY CORDIAL, BUT NOT ENCOURAGING, AND STATED THAT THEY ARE PICKING PEOPLE ■ RATHER SLOWLY AND THAT IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO GET ■ INTO THE ■ UN. BORAH POINTED OUT THAT QUOTE ON THE OTHER HAND ADOLPHO WHO HAS BEEN DOING A LOT OF FERRETING AROUND AND WHO HAS GOOD FRIENDS

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OF A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO ARE DELEGATES TO THE UN [REDACTED] SAID THAT THE CHANCES ARE REALLY QUITE GOOD UNQUOTE. BORAH INDICATED THAT ~~JOE~~ ROGERS KNEW SOME OF THE PEOPLE HIGH UP IN UN AND HALPERIN SAID HE WOULD FIND OUT INASMUCH AS HE WOULD BE CONTACTING ROGERS VERY SOON. BORAH REMARKED QUOTE MY PREDICTION IS GOING TO COME TRUE. YOU KNOW THIS THING IS GOING TO WIND UP WITH YOU LOSING JUST THREE WEEKS SALARY UNQUOTE. HE STATED THAT HE WOULD CONTACT HALPERIN WEDNESDAY MORNING AND MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR HALPERIN TO SEE ADOLPHO. ACCORDING TO A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, AMELIA PERAZICH ADVISED DOROTHY KAPLAN THAT THEY PARENTHESIS THE PERAZICHS PARENTHESIS CLOSED HAVE PURCHASED A HOUSE IN WASHINGTON, ADDRESS UNKNOWN, BUT DID NOT KNOW HOW SOON THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO MOVE IN. DOROTHY KAPLAN ADVISED THAT HERBERT FUCHS HAD ALSO RECENTLY PURCHASED A HOUSE LOCATED ON MACARTHUR BOULEVARD, WASHINGTON, D. C. AMELIA PERAZICH ADVISED THAT GEORGE PERAZICH WAS STILL GOING TO YUGOSLAVIA BUT NO ONE KNOWS WHEN, THAT THEY HAD DINNER LAST THURSDAY AT THE YUGOSLAVIA EMBASSY IN THE COMPANY OF DAVE AND SYLVIA WEINTRAUB, THE HENDRICKSONS AND GOVERNOR LEHMAN. A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED THAT IRVING KAPLAN CONTACTED BEADIE VAN TASSELL AND REQUESTED THE NAME QUOTE OF THAT STEAMSHIP LINE YOU ARE SENDING US TO UNQUOTE. VAN TASSELL REPLIED THAT IT WAS THE WASHINGTON HAMPTON ROADS LINE, THE ONE THAT RUNS' BOATS FROM HERE TO NORFOLK, VIRGINIA.

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KAPLAN ADVISED THAT HE AND DOROTHY KAPLAN WOULD LEAVE ON THIS BOAT LINE ON FRIDAY, APRIL NINETEEN, DESTINATION UNKNOWN. KAPLAN INQUIRED QUOTE WHAT IS THE NAME OF THE GOOF WE ARE TO GET AHOLD OF UNQUOTE. VAN TASSELL STATED QUOTE FRED HAMLIN'S FRIEND UNQUOTE, TELEPHONE KENSINGTON THREE EIGHT NINE DASH R X. ACCORDING TO A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, IRVING KAPLAN WILL LEAVE WASHINGTON, D. C., LATE TODAY BOUND FOR NEW YORK CITY. (4)u

HOTEL

c.e. Mr. Hamey

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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. D. M. LADD
FROM : Mr. W. K. Harvey
SUBJECT: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al;
(DISMISSAL OF SUBJECTS IN THE ABOVE CASE
EMPLOYED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE)
ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: 3/28/46

Call-1:15 to 1:40
PM, 3/28/46

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. E. A. Tamm ✓
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Mr. Coffey ✓
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Mr. Egan ✓
Mr. Gurnea ✓
Mr. Harbo ✓
Mr. Hendon ✓
Mr. Jones ✓
Mr. Quinn ✓
Mr. Nease ✓
Miss Gandy ✓

Reference is made to the previous memorandum to you in the above case dated March 28, 1946, from Mr. J. K. Mumford advising of the information secured in strictest confidence from Mr. Robert Bannerman of the State Department by Special Agent Garland of the Washington Field Office regarding [REDACTED]

At the above time, I secured the following supplemental and additional information from Special Agent Garland. It is noted that all of this information was furnished to Mr. Garland by Mr. Bannerman in strictest confidence and completely "off the record." At the present time, such efforts as can be discreetly made are being made to verify all or part of this information but extreme care is being used in this connection in order not to embarrass Bannerman.

Set out below is the full information furnished by Mr. Bannerman as noted above.

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Memorandum for Mr. D. M. Ladd

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ACTION:

This matter is being followed very closely and further data which are received will immediately be called to your attention.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: 4/1/46

FROM : S. J. TRACY

SUBJECT: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et. al.

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With reference to the attached memorandum of March 28, 1946, I desire to advise that on several occasions recently Mr. Robert Williams of the House Appropriations Committee, whom I bring in town every morning, has expressed to me of the intense dissatisfaction with the handling of surplus property. He stated that a friend of his, Mr. Reed Salisbury (Surplus Property Branch 3232) has told him on several occasions, confidentially, of many reasons why surplus property is being atrociously handled. He has criticized the methods which he says have resulted in the overhead cost of handling surplus property to be at least 125 percent. According to Mr. Williams, Mr. Salisbury is in an excellent position to know exactly how surplus property is being handled administratively here in Washington. It therefore appears to me he should be an excellent source for confidential information.

Mr. Williams has made the observation that Silvermaster seems to have complete iron-clad control over all surplus property and its distribution, and that from what he has heard from Reed Salisbury something should be done about it.

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